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Inmate Death at FCI Butner II

WASHINGTON, D.C.: On Monday, January 4, 2021, Antwonne D. White was evaluated by institution medical staff at the Federal Correctional Institution (FCI) Butner II in Butner, North Carolina and subsequently transferred to a local hospital for further treatment and evaluation for labored breathing. On the same day, Mr. White tested positive for COVID-19 at the local hospital. On Thursday, January 7, 2021, Mr. White returned to the Federal Correctional Complex (FCC) Butner and was placed in medical isolation. He was assigned to a unit with 24-hour nursing staff and received daily symptom checks and evaluations. On Thursday, January 14, 2021, Mr. White, who had long-term, pre-existing medical conditions, which the CDC lists as risk factors for developing more severe COVID-19 disease, was pronounced deceased by institution medical staff.

Mr. White was a 55-year-old male who was sentenced in the Southern District of West Virginia to a 210-month sentence for Possession with Intent to Distribute Cocaine. He had been in custody at the FCC Butner since November 17, 2015.

FCI Butner II is a medium security facility that currently houses 1,384 male offenders.

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